

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 7

11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219

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# CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Honorable Bob Scott Mayor of Sioux City City Hall 405 6<sup>th</sup> Street Sioux City, Iowa 51101

Re:

Sioux City Wastewater Treatment Plant

Sioux City, Iowa

NPDES Permit No.: IA-9778001

## **Request for Information**

### Dear Mayor Scott:

Section 308 of the Clean Water Act authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to collect information for the purpose of carrying out the objectives of the CWA, including, but not limited to, determining the compliance with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System regulations and permit. Please provide the following information concerning Sioux City's operation of its wastewater treatment plant within 14 calendar days of receipt of this letter. Please send only photocopies of original documents and ensure that the text on all photocopies is clear and legible before you submit this information to the EPA.

- 1. All records relating to the daily chemical usage of sodium hypochlorite (chlorine) and sodium bisulfite during the disinfection season of 2015. This includes the amount of each added daily and the dosage if calculated; and
- 2. All payment records for sodium hypochlorite (chlorine) and sodium bisulfite for the 2014 and 2015 disinfection season.

With your submission of the above information, please identify the person who prepared the information and the title of that person. You must also include the enclosed certification statement to be completed by an authorized representative of the City.

Information submitted pursuant to this Section 308 information request shall be sent within 14 calendar days of receipt of this letter by first class certified mail, return receipt requested, or by Overnight Express or Priority Mail and shall be addressed as follows:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 WWPD/WENF Attention: Paul Marshall 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

The information required herein must be submitted notwithstanding any claim you may have concerning confidentiality. If you wish to assert a claim of confidentiality concerning information submitted in response to this letter, you may do so pursuant to the provisions of 33 U.S.C. § 1318 and 18 U.S.C. § 1905. The EPA will consider and process such a request pursuant to said statutes and the EPA regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B.

Although the agency requests your assistance, your response to these questions is mandatory. Section 309 of the CWA provides civil penalties of up to \$37,500 per day of violation for failing to provide information required under Section 308 of the CWA and criminal penalties for knowingly making a false statement under Section 308. If you have questions regarding this request, please contact Mr. Marshall at (913) 551-7419 or at marshall.paul@epa.gov, or Dan Breedlove, the attorney assigned to the case, at (913) 551-7172 or at breedlove.dan@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Flournoy

Director

Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division

cc: Mark Simms

Sioux City Utilities Director

P.O. Box 447

Sioux City, Iowa 51102-0447

Enclosure

#### **CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based upon my inquiry of the person or persons who managed the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

NAME (print or type)	
TITLE (print or type)	
SIGNATURE	
DATE	

Sec. 122.22(a). Signatories to permit applications and reports.

(1) For a corporation. By a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (i) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided, the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including

having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental

laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

Note: EPA does not require specific assignments or delegations of authority to responsible corporate officers identified in Sec. 122.22(a)(1)(i). The Agency will presume that these responsible corporate officers have the requisite authority to sign permit applications unless the corporation has notified the Director to the contrary. Corporate procedures governing authority to sign permit applications may provide for assignment or delegation to applicable corporate positions under Sec. 122.22(a)(1)(ii) rather than to specific individuals.

- (2) For a partnership or sole proprietorship. By a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or
- (3) For a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency. By either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a Federal agency includes: (i) The chief executive officer of the agency, or (ii) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency (e.g., Regional Administrators of EPA).